

Dr Bernice LOH

Education

- Ph.D. (Sociology) Monash University, Australia
- M.A. with Merit (Sociology) University of Manchester, UK
- B.A. (Hons) (Sociology) Nanyang Technological University, Singapore

Professional Experience

2022-PRESENT

Research Fellow, Asia Research Institute, National University of Singapore

- I work on a qualitative research project in the Migration & Mobilities Cluster that focuses on cross-national families (<https://ari.nus.edu.sg/grant/a-study-on-cross-national-families-in-singapore/>)
- This project focuses on the integration, identities and social resilience of cross-national family members and their children (aged 10-25) in Singapore

2025

Visiting Research Fellow, Graduate Institute of Asia Pacific Studies & Institute of Asian Migrations, Waseda University, Japan

2019-2022

Research Fellow, Centre for Family and Population Research (CFPR), National University of Singapore Postdoctoral Fellow (2019-2021)

- I worked on the Singapore Longitudinal Early Development Study (SGLEADS) (<https://www.fas.nus.edu.sg/cfpr/research/sgleads.html>)
- I was the only qualitative postdoctoral researcher on the project, focusing on transnational families and their opportunities and challenges of raising young children in Singapore

2018-2019

Research officer, Monash University, Melbourne
Department of Sociology
Department of Film, Media and Journalism

2015-2019

Teaching Associate, Monash University, Melbourne
Department of Sociology
Department of Film, Media and Journalism

Research Area/Topic/Discipline

- Transnational families
- Youth
- Youth identities
- Mixed marriages
- Gender
- Social inequality

Short Biography

Bernice is a Research Fellow at ARI. She currently works on an interdisciplinary project that examines the integration, identity and social resilience of cross-national families and youth in Singapore. Prior to this, she was a Postdoctoral and Research Fellow at the Centre for Family and Population Research at the National University of Singapore and a Research officer at Monash University, Australia. Her research interests include youth and youth identities, gender, transnational families, mixed marriages and social inequalities.

Publications

(Publications before 2019 available upon request)

Refereed Articles

Loh, Bernice, Brenda S.A. Yeoh, Theodora Lam and Jean W. J. Yeung. 2025. "Lower Income Marriage Migrants and Domains of Integration in Singapore" *Asia Pacific Viewpoint* <https://doi.org/10.1111/apv.12439>

Loh, Bernice, Brenda S.A. Yeoh, Theodora Lam and Esther C.L. Goh. 2025. "Citizenship Pathways of Children with Cross-National Parents: Strategic and Affective Contemplations of Citizenship Choice." *Ethnic and Racial Studies* <https://doi.org/10.1080/01419870.2024.2441908>

Loh, Bernice, Brenda S.A. Yeoh, Shirlena Huang and Jean W. J. Yeung. 2022. "Structural vulnerabilities and neoliberal subjectivities of low-income binational families in Singapore." *Women's Studies International Forum* 94(3):102634 DOI:10.1016/j.wsif.2022.102634

Loh, Bernice. 2020. "Tween Girls' Dressing: Shifts, Implications, and Future Directions in Singapore." *Sociology compass* 14(3):1-13. doi: 10.1111/soc4.12767.

Book Chapter

Loh, Bernice, Brenda S.A. Yeoh, Theodora Lam and Esther C.L. Goh. 2025. "Citizenship Pathways of Children with Cross-National Parents: Strategic and Affective Contemplations of Citizenship Choice." Pp. in *Migration and Citizenship pathways in/beyond Asia* (1st ed.). Routledge, edited by Ho, Elaine. L.-E., Salazar Parreñas, R., & Yeoh, Brenda. S.A. <https://doi.org/10.4324/9781003662471>

Loh, Bernice. 2019. "Negotiating "Vulnerability" in a "Mobile" World: Tween Girls' Dressing in Singapore and Youtube." Pp. 155-71 in *Vulnerability in a Mobile World*, edited by F.-M. Helen. Bingley: Emerald Publishing Limited.

Books

Loh, Bernice. 2022. *Tween Girls' Dressing and Young Femininity in Singapore - Too Much, Too Young, Too Fast?* Singapore: Springer
[part of the *Perspectives on Children and Young People* book series by Johanna Wyn, Helen Cahill and Hernán Cuervo from the University of Melbourne]

Op-Eds

Loh, Bernice. 2022. Blogpost for *ARIscope* "Integration and Resilience of Cross-national Families in Singapore" (<https://ari.nus.edu.sg/ariscopes/integration-and-resilience-of-cross-national-families-in-singapore/>)

Awards/Grants and Distinctions

2025

MOE Tier 1

"Everyday Citizenship and the Singaporean Nation for "New" and "Old" Citizens